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February 28, 1987

Dr. Saul Gefter
Afghan Media Staff
U.S. Information Agency
301 4th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20547

Dear Dr. Gefter:

Attached is a revised budget for the Afghan Media Project covering the period from January 1, 1987 through June 30, 1987. This budget is for the training program only and does not involve anything to do with marketing or dissemination.

You will see from the figures that we had a balance of \$125,494 at the end of the grant period (December 31, 1986), having spent \$54,987 during the initial grant period.

The revised budget projects the costs of the training portion of the project to come to approximately \$232,283. With Boston University's contribution of 36,190, the revised budget totals \$196,093. This leaves us a shortfall of about \$70,000.

I will discuss this situation with our Office of Sponsored Programs to see what we can do here to reduce this shortfall. We might be able to do something with the indirect cost figure.

Without reducing the scope of the training program, the only other option I see is to shift some of the expenses onto the Hearst grant, e.g., some of the travel and subsistence and possibly some of Mills' contracted services.

Most of the overruns for this project I attribute to the delay in beginning the training program. Had the way been cleared for us to begin as planned we could have completed the training phase of this program within the budget. We have had to carry people on contract during these delays, thus running up the total expenses for the program. As you know, the delays in this project have been caused by the lack of a clearance from Pakistan for an Afghan News Director.

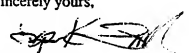
I am sure there are ways of working out this problem without negatively affecting the second phase of the training program. We should discuss this further in the context of the overall program.

If you have any questions in the interim, please let me know.

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Sincerely yours,


Jasper K Smith
Associate Dean

United States Information Agency

REQUEST FOR SUPPLIES/SERVICES

FROM		TO		
OFFICE SYMBOL & EXT. P 485-8545		DATE February 24, 1986		
AUTHORIZED REQUESTING OFFICIAL (SEE MOA 11-494) NAME Charles Horner TITLE Associate Director		<input type="checkbox"/> ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ORDER NO. A378018		
(SIGNATURE) <i>[Signature]</i>		M/ASG ACTION ISSUE		
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PERSON TO CONTACT P/DH - Saul S. Geftor		DATE		
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16 6 2001 00 HD500 41707		PURCHASE		
FUNDS AVAILABLE P/YB - Bobbie King		<input type="checkbox"/> CONTRACT AND PROCUREMENT DIVISION APPROVED ASSIGNED TO DATE		
(SIGNATURE) <i>[Signature]</i> (DATE) 3/4/86		<input type="checkbox"/> SHIP OR DELIVER TO <input type="checkbox"/> PICK UP FROM RM. & BLOC		
EST. COST \$490,000.00				
ITEM NO.	STOCK CATALOG NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ITEM OR SERVICES (PLEASE DOUBLE SPACE BETWEEN ITEMS)	QUANTITY	UNIT
		<p>Please issue a grant to Boston University in the amount of \$180,364 and to King Features Syndicate (Hearst) in the amount of \$309,636, based on the final proposals and budgets submitted to M/KG under separate cover. It will be necessary to meet and coordinate with the GC and IG on special provisions that should be included in these grants covering: financial reporting, overhead costs, line items/proforma budgets, budget line-item funding limitations, and consultation requirements between the grantees and USIA.</p>		

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 (2) PREPARE SEPARATE REQUISITIONS FOR FILING EQUIPMENT!

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